## STATE OF LOUISIANA DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS \* DOCKET NO.

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IN THE MATTER OF

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YVETTE ROBINSON \* AGENCY TRACKING NO. 2017-1219

## **CHARGES**

The Louisiana Board of Ethics voted on October 18, 2018, to and does hereby file the following charges:

1.

Yvette Robinson was hired by Grambling State University on June 11, 2007 and was employed as Assistant to the Vice President of Finance and Administration earning an annual salary of approximately \$56,000.00.

2.

Yvette Robinson's employment with Grambling State University was terminated on January 31, 2017.

3.

In addition to her work as Assistant to the Vice President of Finance and Administration, Yvette Robinson was also a Campus Card Manager for the Tigerl Cards with authority to oversee accounts linked to the cards and make adjustments to the accounts.

An audit was conducted by the University of Louisiana System relative to Tiger 1 Card accounts. The audit disclosed that between October 30, 2014 and January 12, 2017, Yvette Robinson improperly transferred to and received \$12,200.00 in her Tiger 1 G-Flex Account to which she was not duly entitled to receive for the performance of her job duties as a Campus Card Manager.

5.

Yvette Robinson received money to which she was not duly entitled for the performance of her duties and responsibilities as an Assistant to the Vice President of Finance and Administration and the Campus Card Manager for Grambling State University.

6.

Yvette Robinson was interviewed by the Louisiana State Police on October 25, 2017, whereby she admitted to her involvement relative to the improper transfer and receipt of money from Grambling State University to herself in the amount of \$12,200.00 to which she was not duly entitled to receive for the performance of her job duties and responsibilities as Campus Card Manager.

7.

La. R.S. 42:1111A(1)(a) provides:

No public servant shall receive anything of economic value, other than compensation and benefits from the governmental entity to which he is duly entitled, for the performance of the duties and responsibilities of his office or position.

La. R.S. 42:1112A provides:

No public servant, except as provided in R.S. 42:1120, shall participate in a transaction in which he has a personal substantial economic interest of which he may be reasonably expected to know involving the governmental entity.

9.

Based on the foregoing facts, Yvette Robinson, while serving as Assistant to the Vice President of Finance and Administration and the Campus Card Manager for Grambling State University, violated La. R.S. 42:1111A(1)(a) for receiving a thing of economic value other than compensation and benefits for the performance of the duties and responsibilities of her office or position, when she transferred and received \$12,200.00 from her Tiger 1 G-Flex Accounts at Grambling State University.

10.

Based on the foregoing facts, Yvette Robinson, in her capacity as Assistant to the Vice President of Finance and Administration and the Campus Card Manager for Grambling State University, violated La. R.S. 42:1112A for participating in transactions in which she had a personal substantial economic interest of which she reasonably expected to know involving Grambling State University, when she transferred and received from her Tiger 1 G-Flex Accounts at Grambling State University which she was not duly entitled to receive.

11.

In accordance with La. R.S. 42:1141C(3)(b)(iv), the Board designates Gregory L. Thibodeaux and Tracy Barker as the Board's trial attorneys in this matter.

WHEREFORE, the Louisiana Board of Ethics requests that the Ethics Adjudicatory Board (a) conduct a hearing on the foregoing charges; (b) determine that Yvette Robinson violated La. R.S. 42:1111A(1)(a); (c) determine that Yvette Robinson violated La. R.S. 42:1112A; and (d) assess appropriate penalties in accordance with the recommendation of the Louisiana Board of Ethics to be submitted at the hearing.

Added V. McAnelly

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## **CERTIFICATE:**

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